FERA violations, including those of non-resident Indians, are part of the normal duties of any Director of Enforcement in the Department of Revenue.

(b) Appointments to this post have traditionally been made on the recommendation of the Ministry of Finance, and the post itself is borne on the Ministry of Finance Budget. The qualifications for the post are always kept in view.

Opening of Five Star Hotels

1449. SHRI P.K. KUNJACHEN: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether the opening of five star hotels is included in the priority list of Government, while most of the countrymen are not getting proper tourist facilities at tourist spots; and

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI SHIVRAJ PATIL): (a) and (b) Government is encouraging construction of all categories of hotels, Yatri Niwases, Yatrikas, Tourist Lodges, etc. and development of facilities to meet requirements of both foreign and domestic tourists.

Development of waterways and inland transport in Orissa

1450. SHRI BAIKUNTHA NATH SAHU: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state.

(a) whether Government have received any proposal from the Orissa Government for the development of waterways and introduction of inland transport;

(b) if so, what are the details of the proposals, as on December 31, 1988; and

(c) what steps have been taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) to (c) The State Government of Orissa had suggested inclusion of two proposals namely:

(i) Navigation in river Mahanadi from Dholpur to Cuttack,

(ii) Development of Orissa Coast Canal,

as Centrally Sponsored Schemes. These projects do not form part of the approved VII Plan and the State Government have been requested to formulate detailed project proposals, so that these could be considered for inclusion in the VIII Plan.

Westland helicopters with ONGC

1451. SHRI SURESH KALMADI: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of services being provided to the Oil and Natural Gas Commission in Bombay High by Westland helicopters, out of the five daily services contracted for and how many helicopters are there at Bombay for this service;

(b) what is the number of engines bought to keep the Westland helicopters flying since their purchase; and

(c) whether it is a fact that Westland pilots had refused to fly these machines on account of often-repeated snags?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI SHIVRAJ PATIL): (a) Five Westland helicopters are on contract with ONGC at Bombay. The average availability of helicopters for the past six months has been over 70%.

Nine helicopters are based at Bombay.